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## JOIN HARTFORD MAYOR EDDIE PEREZ, CITY YOUTH AND LOCAL EMPLOYERS TO KICK OFF 'SUMMER STARS'

City's rising youth stars add value to local companies, gain meaningful experience

**HARTFORD** – Mayor Eddie Perez will be joined Wednesday by local teens and executives from local companies, including Hartford Hospital and ING, as they kick off "Summer Stars," Hartford's summer youth employment and learning program.

The program, which provides Hartford-area employers an opportunity to hire summer employees are pre-trained in a variety of workplace-related areas. It also gives local teens a chance to learn the skills they need to be a meaningful part of the workforce. Come learn from teens who have <u>experienced</u> the program – and employers who have <u>hired</u> before and are eager to do so again.

WHO: Hartford Mayor Eddie A. Perez

Tom Phillips, President and CEO, Capital Workforce Partners

Joshua Grzelak, ING

**Marlene Harris, Hartford Hospital** 

Local teens

WHAT: Kick-off "Summer Stars," Hartford's summer youth employment program

WHEN: Wednesday, March 31, 2004

11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Hartford City Hall – Function Room 2nd Floor, 550 Main Street

Great Photo Opportunities & Hartford Teens Will Be Available For Interviews!!